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Philadelphia, December 17th., 1887.

Hon. Will A. Freret, Supervising Architect,

Treasury Department, Washington, D.C.

Dear Sir:-

In lieu of our proposal of November 30th., 1887 submitted through Hon. Daniel M. Fox, Superintendent of the U. S. Mint, Philadelphia, for Vault Linings and Doors; we respectfully submit the following proposal in accordance with the verbal suggestions of yourself and the Superintendent of the Mint, Viz.

We will line the Vault, in the basement of the Mint, marked "B" in the diagram in your possession as follows:-

For the floor and arched roof(where the vault is protected by heavy Concrete and Masonry) we will use two 1/4" plates of Cold Rolled Boiler Iron, fastened together with 3/8" counter-sunk rivets and 1/2" counter sunk screws; and we will line the two sides and front, with 1/4" iron, 3/8" 5 ply Steel and Iron, welded and hardened, and 1/4" Iron (7/8" thick) fastened together with 3/8" counter sunk rivets and 1/2" screws; and the back(the most exposed part of the vault) we will line with 1/2" Cold Rolled Boiler Iron, in whole sheets, 1/2" 5 ply Steel and Iron welded and hardened, laid at right angles to the Iron, breaking joints; and 1/2" Iron as above, (1 1/2" thick) fastened together with 3/4" Hardened Chrome Steel and Iron Screws:

All of the above to be fastened to heavy Angle Irons, at all corners, inside and out, with 1/2" Screws and 3/4" hardened Chrome Steel and Iron Screws; the Doors to be the same as specified in our proposal of November 30th., 1887, without a Time Lock; all of which we will deliver and set up in a workmanlike manner, complete and ready for use, for the sum of Five Thousand Dollars;

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excepting the masonry work, which will be done by the Superintendent of the Mint.

Under ordinary circumstances we would not recommend this construction for a Vault Lining for the storage of money, but knowing the existing emergency and the present lack of funds, we offer the above as the best that can be done under the circumstances.

If desired, we can so build the Lining, that you can at any future time thicken it up, without any loss or damage to the Lining proposed, and at a small additional cost.

The Doors proposed are in our opinion, ample for any emergency that may arise.

Very Respectfully,

(Signed) Farrel & Co.

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Already we have difficulty in storing Dimes, and if a stock is to be accumulated, we cannot store it, in the absence of such accomodations as the Vault proposed would furnish, I may say in addition, that it is altogether desirable that parties known to you and identified with our City and interest, should be employed to do the work, even the mechanics employed about the Mint in such a work should be well known to persons known to your self, if not personally known to you, and for reasons which will be obvious enough to persons having Custody of the Treasury.

For these reasons it is to be hoped that the approval of Farrel & Co. if no other local artificers bid, will prove perfectly reasonable in price, as I hope it will prove satisfactory in Specification.

Respectfully,
Signed, Dan'l M. Fox
Superintendent.

Hon. William A. Freret
Supervising Architect
Washington, D. C.

Copy of letter from Dan'l M. Fox to Wm. A. Ineret relative to vault linings.

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